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EYES ONLY FOR AMBASSADORS MOSCOW EYES ONLY CHARGE USRO AND  
BERLIN EYES ONLY FOR BURGESS AND GUFLER.

PARIS PASS USRO.

PRIVATE MEETING TODAY AT GROMYKO'S VILLA MADE NO PROGRESS.  
GROMYKO CONTINUED REFUSAL TO CONSIDER SIGNING ANY AGREEMENT  
REAFFIRMING OUR RIGHTS. FOLLOWING PAPER (REFINEMENT DRAFT  
CONTAINED CAHTO 78) EARLIER IN DAY AGREED BY COUVE, SELWYN,  
VON BRENTANO AND MYSELF, WAS GIVEN GROMYKO WHO SAID HE WOULD  
STUDY BUT PRELIMINARILY CONSIDERED IT "ONE-SIDED" AND SAW  
NO CHANGE IN SUBSTANCE WESTERN POSITION:

"1. THE MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE UNITED  
STATES, FRANCE, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE USSR HAVE EXAMINED  
THE QUESTION OF BERLIN IN THE DESIRE TO FIND MUTUALLY  
SATISFACTORY SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN  
RAISED AND WHICH DERIVE ESSENTIALLY FROM THE DIVISION OF  
BERLIN AND OF GERMANY. THE FOUR MINISTERS RECOGNIZE THAT THE  
AGREEMENTS AT PRESENT IN FORCE, WHICH ARE BASED ON THE RIGHTS  
ACQUIRED AS A RESULT OF THE UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER OF GERMANY  
COULD BE SUPPLEMENTED IN CERTAIN RESPECTS WITHOUT PRE-  
JUDICE TO THE CONTINUED VALIDITY OF THE RIGHTS THEMSELVES.

2. THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE USSR HAS DECLARED  
THE INTENTION OF THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT TO WITHDRAW ITS FORCES  
FROM BERLIN. THE MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF FRANCE, THE  
UNITED KINGDOM AND THE UNITED STATES DECLARE THAT IT IS THE

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INTENTION OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS NOT TO INCREASE THE COMBINED TOTAL OF THE FORCES THEY NOW MAINTAIN IN BERLIN. THEY FURTHER DECLARE THAT THEY MAY BE ABLE TO REDUCE SUCH FORCES, BUT ONLY TO THE EXTENT, CONSISTENT WITH THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES, THAT DEVELOPMENTS IN BERLIN PERMIT.

3. THE MINISTERS CONSIDER THAT MEASURES COULD BE TAKEN CONSISTENT WITH FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES TO AVOID IN BOTH PARTS OF BERLIN ACTIVITIES WHICH MIGHT EITHER DISTURB PUBLIC ORDER OR SERIOUSLY AFFECT THE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF THE DIFFERENT PARTIES.
4. THE MINISTERS REAFFIRM ON BEHALF OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS THE EXISTING RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS WITH RESPECT TO FREE AND UNRESTRICTED ACCESS TO BERLIN BY LAND, BY WATER, AND BY AIR, INCLUDING THOSE OF THE FRENCH, UNITED KINGDOM AND UNITED STATES FORCES STATIONED IN BERLIN. THESE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS SHALL CONTINUE TO BE MAINTAINED FOR ALL PERSONS, GOODS AND COMMUNICATIONS. THE PROCEDURES APPLICABLE SHALL BE THOSE IN EFFECT IN APRIL, 1959. THESE PROCEDURES, HOWEVER, MAY BE CARRIED OUT BY GERMAN PERSONNEL, IT BEING UNDERSTOOD THAT NONE OF THE EXISTING RESPONSIBILITIES ARE CHANGED. THE MINISTERS LIKEWISE REAFFIRM THAT FREE ACCESS SHALL CONTINUE TO BE MAINTAINED BETWEEN EAST BERLIN AND WEST BERLIN. ALL DISPUTES WHICH MIGHT ARISE WITH RESPECT TO ACCESS WILL BE RAISED AND SETTLED BETWEEN THE FOUR GOVERNMENTS. THE LATTER WILL ESTABLISH A QUADRIPARTITE COMMISSION WHICH WILL MEET IN BERLIN TO EXAMINE ANY DIFFICULTIES ARISING OUT OF THE APPLICATION OF THE PRESENT PARAGRAPH AND TO FACILITATE THEIR SETTLEMENT.
5. THE MINISTERS AGREE THAT THE ARRANGEMENTS HEREIN AGREED TO WILL CONTINUE IN FORCE UNTIL THE REUNIFICATION OF GERMANY."

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